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Ms. Emily Crose
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Dear Ms. Crose:

PUBLIC RECORDS ACT (PRA) REQUEST – PRA LIT 19000006

This letter is in response to your request for records from the California Correctional Health Care Services (CCHCS) under the Public Records Act (PRA), which was received in our office on January 11, 2019. Specifically, you requested the following:

I am seeking all records associated with the California Department of Corrections participating in prison population experimentation on so-called "Male Transsexuals". This request should include but not be limited to cooperation with academic research into hormonal experimentation, HIV research, or any other mental or physical treatments/examinations where the results had been shared either internally to prison officials, or externally with academic organizations.

More specifically, I would like any information related to the development of the attached research paper titled "HORMONE PATTERN IN PHARMACOLOGICALLY FEMINIZED MALE TRANSSEXUALS IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON SYSTEM" as developed by L.J. Valenta, MD, PhD, A.N. Elias, MD, and E.S. Domurat, MD. According to this study, there were 86 individuals from the California Department of Corrections prison population who voluntarily/involuntarily participated in this study and I would like to compile as much documentation about this specific study from the Department of Corrections as possible.

If insufficient documentation can be found related to "male transsexuals" please also include the terms "transvestite" & "homosexual" in the search criteria to locate more information specific to the study that I am researching.

Please include the years between 1980 and 1991 in the search window for this request.

An attachment was not provided with your request. CCHCS has no records responsive to your request. CCHCS was not established as an entity until 2006, as a result of the *Plata vs. Newsom* case. The following fact sheet provides information regarding the timeline of CCHCS:

- <https://cchcs.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/60/2018/09/Receiver-FactSheet.pdf>

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact us via e-mail at CCHCSHealthPRAS@CDCR.ca.gov, or by regular mail at California Correctional Health Care Services, Attention: PRA Coordinator, Building C, P.O. Box 588500, Elk Grove, CA 95758.

Sincerely,



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